GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4732
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SETTING UP OF COMMISSION FOR SCHEDULED AREAS TRIBES AND NITA
SU THIRUNAVUKKARASAR;V. SAROJA

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government propose to set up a National Commission for ScheduledAreas and Scheduled Tribes and National Institute for Tribal Affairs(NITA);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a)&(b) The Government has decided to set up 11 Member National Commission forScheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes with the main objective to review Tribal sub-Plan strategy and suggest alternative measures, if necessary.
The Government is also contemplating to set up a National Institute for TribalAffairs (NITA). Its main objectives will be to undertake research and studies on issues involving general policies for development of tribal communities involving more than one State, coordinate actions of the 14 Tribal Research Institutes in the States and give them directions and guidelines, and also act as an input for the Ministry on policy formulation.

(c) Does not arise.